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George V. Lauder, Director Public Affairs Central Intelligence Agency Washington, DC 20505

Dear Mr. Lauder:

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In the spring issue of <u>Foreign Policy</u> you say that "a major CIA initiative in recent years has been the dramatic expansion of its contacts not only with academics but also with think tanks and the private sector."

My personal experience, however, has been otherwise. Recently I contacted your office requesting an opportunity to have a meeting. This was denied, in what I consider an arrogant fashion. I am the editor and chief of INTERVENTION journal, which deals with military and foreign affairs from a noninterventionist perspecitive. Do you only talk with interventionist minded people? Is that the extent of the CIA's "dramatic expansion"?

I travel rather frequently, and have contacts with a variety of people outside the United States. Patty Volz, however, not only declined my offer to talk--at least I think so, since she has not really given her final decision, but the negative was the last I heard after calling her--but has done so in an unappropriate fashion.

One can make allowances for ignorance, but an arrogant manner should not be tolerated.

Sincerely,

Thomas Nusbaumer

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